

# Legislative Update

## National Cancer Advisory Board

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- **Debt Limit Budget Deal**
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One Hundred Eighteenth Congress  
of the  
United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Began and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday,  
the third day of January, two thousand and twenty-three*

An Act

To provide for a responsible increase to the debt ceiling.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023”.



# Key provisions in the deal would suspend the debt ceiling for two years and cap government spending

**Biden and McCarthy's deal would suspend the debt ceiling until January 1, 2025**



## Spending caps and cuts



Cap nondefense discretionary spending for FY2024 at FY2023 levels



Cap discretionary spending growth at 1% for FY2025



Increase defense spending to \$886 B for FY2024 and \$895 B for FY2025



Increase spending on veterans' health care



Cancel \$30 B in unobligated COVID-19 spending approved by Congress



Rescind \$20 B in IRS funding allocated through the IRA

## Other key provisions

### STUDENT DEBT:

End moratorium on student loan repayments by the end of August 2023

### WORK REQUIREMENTS:

Implement new work requirements for SNAP and TANF recipients

### PERMITTING REFORM:

Create a lead agency to accelerate the review process for energy projects; approve permitting requests for Mountain Valley Pipeline

### FY2024 APPROPRIATIONS:

Cut government spending for FY2024 by 1% if Congress doesn't pass all 12 appropriations bills by the end of 2023

# Roll Call

## Appropriations collision course

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By David Lerman, Aidan Quigley, and Paul M. Krawzak

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*“The House and Senate appear to be on a collision course over fiscal 2024 spending, while pressure builds in the Senate for an emergency supplemental bill for defense, disaster relief and more.”*

### Senate:

- Writing spending bills to Fiscal Responsibility Act (FRA) level
- Plus \$23 billion in emergency funding (\$2 billion for Labor-HHS)

### House:

- Writing spending bills to \$119 billion less than the FRA level
- \$142 billion less than the Senate

FY 24 Deadlines: **October 1, January 1, April 30**



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| October | November | December | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September |
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# HOW NCI RECEIVES ITS FUNDING

NCI receives its funding, or appropriation, from Congress as part of the overall federal budget process.

FY24  
PJB  



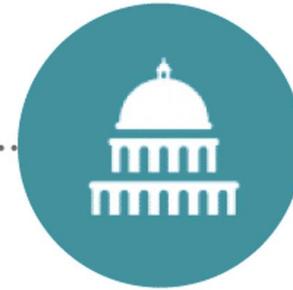

## STEP 1

The White House Office of Management & Budget (OMB) coordinates with federal agencies to formulate the President's Budget, which covers all federal agencies, including the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and National Institutes of Health (NIH), and reflects the President's priorities. The President submits the budget to Congress, which must pass appropriations legislation that funds federal agencies.



## STEP 2

The Congressional appropriations committees consider the President's Budget as they prepare appropriations legislation for the next fiscal year.



## STEP 3

The appropriations committees finalize their legislative proposals, and the House and Senate consider the proposed legislation. Once passed and reconciled into a unified bill, Congress sends the legislation to the President.



## STEP 4

The President signs the appropriations bill into law, making funds available to executive agencies, including NCI and NIH.

### NCI Professional Judgment Authority

The National Cancer Act of 1971 gives the NCI Director special authority to submit an annual professional judgment budget directly to the President for review and delivery to Congress. This budget reflects NCI cancer research priorities and identifies areas of potential investment in cancer research.



Monday, August 21, 2023

**“NO SECURITY, NO FUNDING”**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — Today, the House Freedom Caucus released the following official position on the possible Continuing Resolution before the expiration of government funding on September 30.

“As Congress continues to work to pass appropriations bills, we must rein in the reckless inflationary spending, and the out-of-control federal bureaucracy it funds, crushing the American people. We remain committed to restoring the true FY 2022 topline spending level of \$1.471 trillion without the use of gimmicks or reallocated rescissions to return the bureaucracy to its pre-COVID size while allowing for adequate defense funding.

*“Furthermore, we will oppose any attempt by Washington to revert to its old playbook of using a series of short-term funding extensions designed to push Congress up against a December deadline to force the passage of yet another monstrous, budget busting, pork filled, lobbyist handout omnibus spending bill at year’s end and we will use every procedural tool necessary to prevent that outcome.”*



**Senator John Cornyn**

@JohnCornyn

The federal government will shut down in less than a month unless a funding bill is passed by Sept. 30. That’s only 16 legislative days away (and even fewer for the House) under the current schedule. The House and Senate are in completely different universes when it comes to how lawmakers should fund federal agencies in both the short and long term.

*“Congress needs to address our nation’s most pressing needs with timely appropriations and we need to keep the lights on come October 1.”*

*Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (KY)  
September 5, 2023*



June 22, 2023:

Senators Murray and Collins Issue Statement After First Full Committee Markup in Two Years, Commit to Senate's Voice Being Heard in Appropriations Process

***“We are determined to continue working together in a bipartisan manner to craft serious funding bills that can be signed into law. Keeping the Senate appropriations process moving full steam ahead and in a bipartisan way is critical. Our nation absolutely must be able to count on a dependable appropriations process as we grapple with urgent challenges at home and abroad.”***

## White House ups ante on emergency disaster aid

Administration seeks additional \$4 billion in wake of recent hurricanes, wildfires and other disasters

**Roll Call**

September 1, 2023



The new funding would be on top of \$12 billion the White House initially sought for FEMA in its Aug. 10 supplemental spending request. It would bring the total to \$16 billion for the disaster management agency and \$44 billion overall for the emergency funding package, which also includes money for Ukraine and southern border needs.

## House Speaker Kevin McCarthy tours Lahaina; pledges help to rebuild — and an investigation

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September 3, 2023



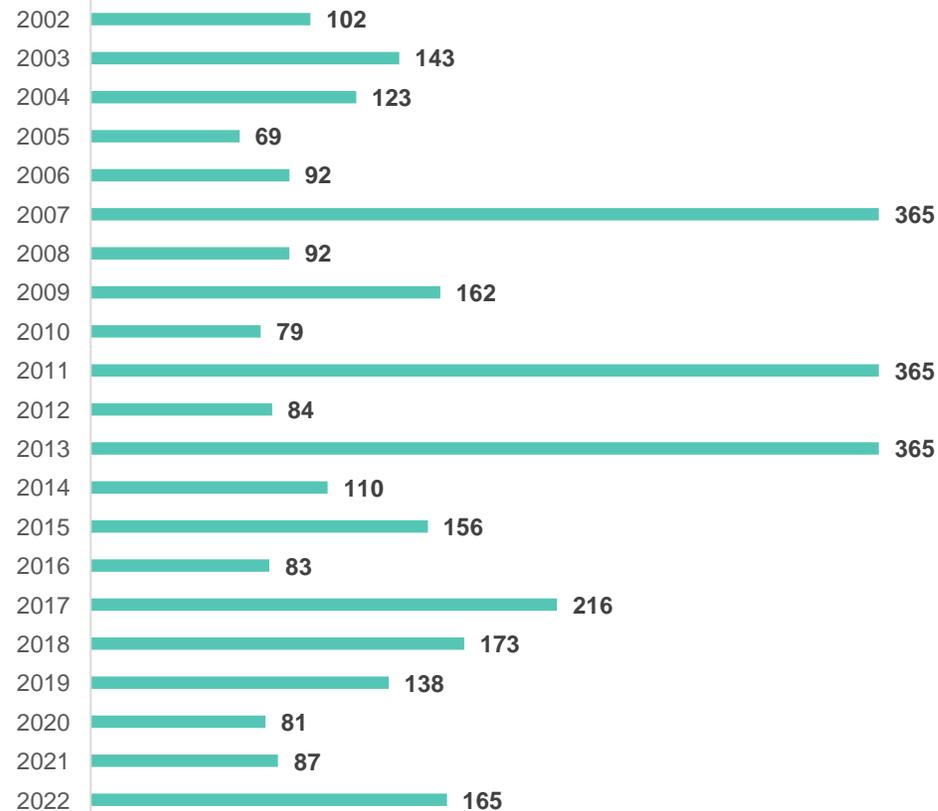
“We’ve also made clear that the Senate’s top priority must be keeping the American people safe, and this month, we’ll have a chance to do that with supplemental appropriations for urgent national security and disaster relief priorities.”

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|               | <b>FY23 Enacted</b>  | <b>FY24 PB</b>   | <b>FY24 House*</b>            | <b>FY24 Senate</b>                                       |
|---------------|--|--|-------------------------------|--|
| <b>NIH</b>    | <b>\$47.7 B</b><br>(+\$2.5 B)                              | <b>\$48.6 B</b><br>+\$920 M<br>proposed                | <b>\$44.7 B</b><br>(-\$2.99B) | <b>\$47.8 B</b><br>(+\$265 M)                            |
| <b>NCI</b>    | <b>\$7.32 B</b><br>(+ \$386 M base)<br>\$216M for Moonshot | <b>\$7.82 B</b><br>Sustain \$216 M<br>+ \$500 M for MS | <b>\$7.10 B</b><br>(-\$216 M) | <b>\$7.38 B</b><br>(+\$60 M)<br><i>Continues \$216 M</i> |
| <b>ARPA-H</b> | <b>\$1.5 B</b><br>(+\$0.5 B)                               | <b>\$2.5 B</b><br>+\$1 B proposed                      | <b>\$500 M</b><br>(-\$1 B)    | <b>\$1.5 B</b><br><i>(flat)</i>                          |

# Congress has enacted one or more continuing resolutions in all but three of the last 46 fiscal years

Total duration of continuing resolutions FY2002-2022, in days



SOURCE CRS, CRFB, GAO

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- Each year, Congress must approve spending bills to fund the government for the next 12 months
- If spending bills are not passed by October 1 (the beginning of the fiscal year), then the government will face a shutdown
- Continuing appropriations acts, or continuing resolutions (CRs), are used as a stop-gap to provide temporary funding for a specific period of time in the event that regular appropriations acts are not passed by October 1
- CRs cannot be used for “new starts” and provide a funding rate, not a set amount. May include anomalies that adjust the duration, amount, or purpose for which funds can be used.

# Congressional Work Ahead

- The Senate returned from recess yesterday, House back 9/12.
- Eleven legislative days with both chambers in session before the end of the fiscal year
- Stopgap funding measures (continuing resolutions) buy time for negotiation and compromise. HFC demands for CR + policy concessions is problematic.

## Must Pass Legislation

- FY 24 Appropriations
- FDA User Fee Programs for Animal Drug and Animal Generic Drug
- Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act
- Farm Bill
- FAA Bill
- Defense Authorization (NDAA)

# Meet the Women Trying to Avoid a Spending Train Wreck in Congress

The New York Times

February 1, 2023

For the first time, the leaders of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees are all women, as is the top White House budget official. Can they avert a fiscal disaster? They're determined to try.

By Emily Cochrane



# Questions?

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